

## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Kittery Block Party "Rocks the Block" Day and Night on June 18!

Saturday June 18 Kittery Foreside will be rocking with over 100 street vendors from 10 AM to 4 PM followed by a 5K Road Race at 5:00 pm and 7 concurrent live entertainment venues from 7PM to 11PM. Daytime and nighttime admission is free to all, road race cost is \$20 for preregistration and \$25 day of event.

Presenting sponsors Bob's Clam Hut, York Hospital, Portsmouth Chevrolet, Kittery Trading Post, Kennebunk Savings, Green Pages, Maine Magazine, Northeast Credit Union and Harbour Light Strategic Marketing bring you this celebration of local art, culture, and food that fosters lasting relationships and strengthens community in a fun neighborhood atmosphere, enjoyable to all ages. Last year, an estimated 4,000 people participated in the day's activities and events. Proceeds from the Block Party goes to over 10 worthwhile community based non-profit organizations.

## FOOD, FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT:

FOOD: There will be over a dozen of Kittery's renowned food vendors serving up summer favorites with a healthy and local edge – NEW this year will be the Dirty Duck Donut Quest!

FUN: The popular Children's area will be back – better and bigger – the Foreside streets will be packed with artisans and vendors of all stripes – from jewelry makers to non-profit informational booths, local art, clothing, toys and more - a shopper's delight.

DAYTIME MUSIC: Begins at 10:00, at the Main Stage tent and will have 7 different acts running on the ½ hour or hour until 3:30 pm.

5K ROAD RACE: Bridging the hours between the day-long street festival and the evening entertainment lineup, the Kittery Block Party 5K runners will enjoy a scenic, early-evening run. The new race course now winds through Kittery Foreside, heading up Route 1 to the Kittery Traffic Circle, then up Rogers and Shapleigh Roads and back towards the Kittery Post Office. Runners will cross the finish line to cheering spectators. Race proceeds will benefit the Kittery

Recreation Department and additional non-profit organizations to be announced following grant application review.

NIGHTTIME ENTERTAINMENT: Will take place at; Lil's Café, Folk, Doo, Anju, Black Birch, The Dance Hall, Corner Pub and a Live Talent Show at the Second Christian Congregational Church on Government St.

Parking is available at the Kittery Post Office, Wentworth Dennett School and Green Pages on Badger's Island. More parking options are coming on line all the time so check the website for latest updates and look for parking signs the day of the event. There will be a shuttle circulating during the day for rides to and from the party.

ABOUT THE BLOCK PARTY: Our focus is local, so what you see, hear and taste comes from the area. We'll have children's events, live entertainment throughout the day, demonstrations, and educational exhibits and of course, great food. This event is sure to entice, educate, and entertain all ages. KBP is a rain or shine event, and there is no admission fee.

Visit, <a href="http://www.kitteryblockparty.org/">http://www.kitteryblockparty.org/</a> for a complete list of events and vendors!

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